

AMENDMENT(S) TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A modular wall panel assembly, comprising:

a modular wall panel;

a mounting bracket connected to said modular wall panel, said mounting bracket

including:

5 a base configured for connection to said modular wall panel; and

a pair of parallel side plates connected to and extending transverse from said base,

each said side plate including a slot, said slots being generally aligned with each other, said slots being located approximately centrally in a longitudinal direction of said mounting bracket;

an electrical distribution harness including at least one channel at least partially enclosed

10 by said side plates, said electrical distribution harness including an electrical connector both received within and extending from said slots.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Original) The modular wall panel assembly of claim 1, wherein said mounting bracket has a u-shaped cross-section.

4. (Currently Amended) The modular wall assembly of claim 1, wherein said electrical distribution harness includes:

~~an electrical connector;~~

said at least one channel extending from and electrically connected with said electrical

5 connector; and

at least one electrical receptacle connected to said electrical connector.

5. (Currently Amended) An electrical distribution harness for a modular wall panel, said electrical distribution harness comprising:

a mounting bracket connected to the modular wall panel, said mounting bracket including:

5 a base configured for connection to the modular wall panel; and

a pair of parallel side plates connected to and extending transverse from said base, each said side plate including a slot, said slots being generally aligned with each other, said slots being located approximately centrally in a longitudinal direction of said mounting bracket; and

an electrical connector both received within and extending from said slots; and

10 at least one channel at least partially enclosed by said pair of parallel side plates.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Original) The electrical distribution harness of claim 5, wherein said mounting bracket has a u-shaped cross-section.

8. (Currently Amended) The electrical distribution harness of claim 5, wherein said electrical distribution harness includes:

~~an electrical connector;~~

said at least one channel extending from and electrically connected with said electrical

5 connector; and

at least one electrical receptacle connected to said electrical connector.

9. (Currently Amended) A method of connecting an electrical distribution harness to a modular wall panel assembly, comprising the steps of:

connecting a mounting bracket to the modular wall panel assembly, said mounting bracket including a base configured for connection to said modular wall panel, and a pair of parallel side plates connected to and extending transverse from said base, each said side plate including a slot, said slots being generally aligned with each other, said slots being located approximately centrally in a longitudinal direction of said mounting bracket; and

positioning an electrical connector of the electrical distribution harness at least partially between said side plates, said electrical connector both received within and extending from said slots.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9, further including the step of electrically connecting at least one receptacle to at least one said electrical connector.

11. (Original) The method of claim 10, further including the step attaching at least one said receptacle to said mounting bracket.